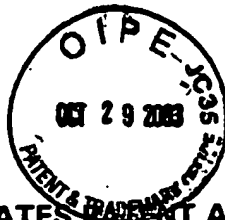


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This reply is responsive to a final Office Action mailed August 29, 2003.

The Office Action set a shortened statutory period for response that will expire on September 29, 2003. This response is being made within the first month after the statutory period and includes the fee for filing within the first month period after a due date for a small entity in the amount of \$55.

Please amend the Application as follows:

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